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In re Application of
Robert B. Steffen, et al.
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ON PETITION

This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.137(b), filed April 6, 2004, to revive the above-identified application.

The petition is **GRANTED**.

The above-identified application became abandoned for failure to reply in a timely manner to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application mailed November 8, 2001. The Notice set a period for reply of two (2) months from the mail date of the Notice. No extensions of time under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) were obtained. Accordingly, the above-identified application became abandoned on January 9, 2002.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to the undersigned at (703) 306-5594.

The application file is being forwarded to the Office of Initial Patent Examination for further processing.

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